

Crop Progress

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Corn Silking - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2014 corn acreage]

		Week ending		2010 2011
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	2010-2014 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	23	11	27	23
Illinois	79	55	75	77
Indiana	65	27	50	65
lowa	54	17	56	52
Kansas	72	47	64	67
Kentucky	74	54	74	67
Michigan	29	4	30	42
Minnesota	20	7	47	41
Missouri	89	53	70	77
Nebraska	58	22	63	57
North Carolina	93	90	93	97
North Dakota	9	6	17	26
Ohio	46	20	43	53
Pennsylvania	33	33	54	48
South Dakota	27	4	43	27
Tennessee	88	78	89	90
Texas	90	74	75	85
Wisconsin	20	2	23	31
18 States	53	27	55	56

Corn Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	-	1	20	66	13
Illinois	5	11	29	43	12
Indiana	9	17	29	35	10
lowa	-	3	14	60	23
Kansas	3	8	31	49	9
Kentucky	1	3	14	60	22
Michigan	4	7	24	51	14
Minnesota	-	2	12	63	23
Missouri	5	12	33	42	8
Nebraska	1	5	21	57	16
North Carolina	8	14	29	36	13
North Dakota	-	4	16	68	12
Ohio	5	15	34	36	10
Pennsylvania	-	3	17	44	36
South Dakota	1	4	19	62	14
Tennessee	-	3	13	56	28
Texas	3	7	27	49	14
Wisconsin	-	3	14	54	29
18 States	2	7	22	52	17
Previous week	2	7	22	54	15
Previous year	1	4	19	54	22

⁻ Represents zero.

Soybeans Blooming – Selected States[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2014 soybean acreage]

		2010-2014		
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	66	65	75	64
Illinois	66	33	56	61
Indiana	68	32	52	58
lowa	64	40	62	62
Kansas	42	17	32	41
Kentucky	40	20	37	44
Louisiana	89	85	88	87
Michigan	55	33	58	54
Minnesota	44	63	75	54
Mississippi	71	64	77	85
Missouri	45	11	21	39
Nebraska	70	42	61	61
North Carolina	44	25	37	30
North Dakota	51	49	71	57
Ohio	47	32	48	51
South Dakota	68	36	51	59
Tennessee	45	24	44	50
Wisconsin	43	29	49	42
18 States	57	38	56	56

Soybeans Setting Pods – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2014 soybean acreage]

		2040 2044		
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	2010-2014 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	41	31	41	38
Illinois	22	2	16	18
Indiana	30	4	18	18
lowa	17	4	15	16
Kansas	9	-	7	5
Kentucky	16	2	12	14
Louisiana	68	64	76	69
Michigan	13	2	10	12
Minnesota	6	6	21	11
Mississippi	39	31	49	56
Missouri	6	-	2	7
Nebraska	30	3	17	16
North Carolina	22	3	15	11
North Dakota	6	1	23	15
Ohio	7	2	11	9
South Dakota	14	1	7	11
Tennessee	15	6	20	22
Wisconsin	9	4	11	6
18 States	18	6	17	17

⁻ Represents zero.

Soybean Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	5	7	26	48	14
Illinois	7	13	33	39	8
Indiana	9	19	32	33	7
lowa	1	3	19	60	17
Kansas	1	8	40	47	4
Kentucky	2	5	19	60	14
Louisiana	2	9	21	56	12
Michigan	4	11	27	48	10
Minnesota	-	2	19	62	17
Mississippi	1	3	21	44	31
Missouri	5	15	51	27	2
Nebraska	1	5	22	57	15
North Carolina	3	7	27	53	10
North Dakota	-	3	15	69	13
Ohio	7	16	36	35	6
South Dakota	1	3	19	61	16
Tennessee	1	3	16	60	20
Wisconsin	-	2	14	58	26
18 States	3	8	27	50	12
Previous week	3	8	27	50	12
Previous year	1	4	22	57	16
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⁻ Represents zero.

Cotton Squaring – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2014 cotton acreage]

		Week ending		2010-2014
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama Arizona Arkansas California Georgia Kansas Louisiana Mississippi Missouri North Carolina	77 89 99 94 93 37 94 84 80 91	85 85 98 92 77 22 90 84 57	92 90 99 95 90 34 97 89 83	80 88 99 88 85 65 97 93 86
Oklahoma South Carolina Tennessee Texas Virginia	76 93 81 78 85	10 56 63 51 80	54 73 75 68 84	56 56 79 83 76 86
15 States	83	61	76	81

Cotton Setting Bolls – Selected States [These 15 States planted 99% of the 2014 cotton acreage]

		2040 2044		
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	2010-2014 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	41	25	54	41
Arizona	49	40	48	55
Arkansas	79	39	81	77
California	84	50	85	56
Georgia	52	36	54	49
Kansas	4	-	1	9
Louisiana	74	45	71	76
Mississippi	48	31	59	56
Missouri	20	2	20	33
North Carolina	60	25	43	49
Oklahoma	48	-	8	20
South Carolina	59	19	33	33
Tennessee	28	12	26	32
Texas	23	11	22	25
Virginia	21	8	23	28
15 States	36	18	33	36

⁻ Represents zero.

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015 [National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	1	18	76	5
Arizona	3	=	15	55	27
Arkansas	4	2	19	43	32
California	-	=	15	25	60
Georgia	1	4	29	53	13
Kansas	-	11	28	53	8
Louisiana	1	4	32	47	16
Mississippi	1	4	29	49	17
Missouri	1	10	58	28	3
North Carolina	-	5	19	64	12
Oklahoma	-	1	22	74	3
South Carolina	1	5	54	39	1
Tennessee	-	3	28	54	15
Texas	1	9	40	42	8
Virginia	-	-	7	90	3
15 States	1	7	35	46	11
Previous week	1	7	35	47	10
Previous year	4	10	34	40	12

⁻ Represents zero.

Peanuts Pegging – Selected States

[These 8 States planted 97% of the 2014 peanut acreage]

		2010-2014		
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama Florida Georgia North Carolina Oklahoma South Carolina Texas Virginia	61 82 74 89 59 89 43 49	74 74 59 49 20 72 31 26	79 84 76 70 39 85 34	55 68 69 82 72 77 60 57
8 States	71	59	73	67

Peanut Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	2	15	67	16
Florida	-	1	18	64	17
Georgia	-	4	22	55	19
North Carolina	-	1	21	66	12
Oklahoma	-	2	17	75	6
South Carolina	-	1	46	51	2
Texas	-	1	43	48	8
Virginia	-	-	24	69	7
8 States	-	2	24	59	15
Previous week	-	2	25	58	15
Previous year	-	3	26	59	12

⁻ Represents zero.

Sorghum Headed – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2014 sorghum acreage]

		Week ending		2010-2014
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	81	69	75	81
Colorado	4	1	5	13
Illinois	27	13	27	27
Kansas	6	1	3	7
Louisiana	96	91	97	96
Missouri	37	12	25	24
Nebraska	21	2	20	9
New Mexico	1	2	3	2
Oklahoma	31	23	35	32
South Dakota	37	20	30	15
Texas	85	60	66	72
11 States	40	28	33	35

Sorghum Coloring – Selected States[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2014 sorghum acreage]

		2010 2011		
State 	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	2010-2014 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	31	7	28	26
Colorado	-	-	-	2
Illinois	1	-	1	1
Kansas	-	-	-	-
Louisiana	60	33	67	65
Missouri	2	-	-	2
Nebraska	4	-	-	1
New Mexico	-	-	-	-
Oklahoma	2	1	3	4
South Dakota	1	-	-	-
Texas	67	45	49	62
11 States	25	17	20	24

⁻ Represents zero.

Sorghum Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	2	2	16	56	24
Colorado	-	-	23	73	4
Illinois	2	9	48	36	5
Kansas	1	4	29	61	5
Louisiana	3	13	29	54	1
Missouri	2	9	51	33	5
Nebraska	-	1	29	62	8
New Mexico	-	-	17	81	2
Oklahoma	3	3	16	69	9
South Dakota	-	1	25	69	5
Texas	5	4	25	46	20
11 States	3	4	26	56	11
Previous week	2	4	27	57	10
Previous year	1	6	31	51	11

⁻ Represents zero.

Rice Headed - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2014 rice acreage]

		2010 2014		
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	2010-2014 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	17	18	30	27
California	14	17	18	4
Louisiana	81	75	85	76
Mississippi	42	32	54	48
Missouri	27	22	36	14
Texas	61	54	63	69
6 States	31	30	40	33

Rice Condition – Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015 [National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acres]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	3	5	21	53	18
California	-	-	15	40	45
Louisiana	-	5	24	56	15
Mississippi	-	2	19	45	34
Missouri	-	5	35	47	13
Texas	4	2	41	43	10
6 States	2	4	22	49	23
Previous week	2	4	23	48	23
Previous year	-	5	24	51	20

⁻ Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Harvested - Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 87% of the 2014 winter wheat acreage]

		Week ending					
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	2010-2014 Average			
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
Arkansas	100	99	100	100			
California	87	90	95	93			
Colorado	65	39	71	71			
Idaho	7	7	11	2			
Illinois	94	83	91	97			
Indiana	90	58	72	95			
Kansas	94	93	96	98			
Michigan	17	-	8	59			
Missouri	99	79	89	100			
Montana	4	4	12	3			
Nebraska	51	27	62	56			
North Carolina	100	100	100	98			
Ohio	85	38	56	91			
Oklahoma	98	97	99	99			
Oregon	20	25	47	12			
South Dakota	3	10	20	29			
Texas	100	95	97	99			
Washington	13	11	34	5			
18 States	74	65	75	74			

⁻ Represents zero.

Oats Harvested - Selected States

[These 9 States harvested 67% of the 2014 oat acreage]

		Week ending					
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	2010-2014 Average			
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
lowa	19	13	28	37			
Minnesota	4	-	2	9			
Nebraska	28	18	28	52			
North Dakota	-	-	-	3			
Ohio	22	2	8	27			
Pennsylvania	1	-	8	12			
South Dakota	4	2	17	15			
Texas	93	96	97	97			
Wisconsin	6	4	5	14			
9 States	15	11	16	23			

⁻ Represents zero.

Oat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
lowa	-	3	18	65	14
Minnesota	-	3	20	63	14
Nebraska	2	6	25	61	6
North Dakota	1	4	13	67	15
Ohio	-	6	30	54	10
Pennsylvania	2	3	22	60	13
South Dakota	1	4	23	62	10
Texas	15	18	30	32	5
Wisconsin	-	3	13	63	21
9 States	4	7	22	55	12
Previous week	4	7	21	56	12
Previous year	3	8	25	53	11

⁻ Represents zero.

Spring Wheat Headed – Selected States

[These 6 States planted 99% of the 2014 spring wheat acreage]

		2010-2014		
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	99	91	96	87
Minnesota	80	99	99	93
Montana	83	92	97	72
North Dakota	76	87	94	80
South Dakota	94	93	97	97
Washington	100	100	100	96
6 States	82	91	96	83

Spring Wheat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho Minnesota	1	2	21 15	54 63	22 20
Montana		8	34	45	9
North DakotaSouth Dakota		3	15 29	62 53	20 9
Washington		29	45	20	1
6 States	1	6	23	55	15
Previous week Previous year		5 4	23 25	56 57	15 13

⁻ Represents zero.

Barley Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho Minnesota Montana North Dakota Washington	- - 3 - 3	1 2 10 2 12	11 35 34 10 60	48 51 41 72 25	40 12 12 16
5 States	1	5	23	52	19
Previous week	1 1	5 4	22 29	54 55	18 11

⁻ Represents zero.

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National pasture and range conditions for selected States are weighted based on pasture acreage and/or livestock inventories]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	7	35	53	5
Arizona	7	10	42	39	2
Arkansas	2	8	34	41	15
California	30	25	20	15	10
Colorado	1	12	23	50	14
Connecticut	-	-	50	50	-
Delaware	3	6	41	41	9
Florida	2	3	21	61	13
Georgia	1	7	33	48	11
Idaho	1	12	34	38	15
Illinois	1	3	17	60	19
Indiana	2	6	27	51	14
lowa	-	2	20	59	19
Kansas	2	7	28	51	12
Kentucky	1	5	17	60	17
Louisiana	3	11	36	43	7
Maine	-	=	14	36	50
Maryland	1	2	28	40	29
Massachusetts	-	4	37	50	9
Michigan	2	4	25	49	20
Minnesota	-	3	19	63	15
Mississippi	1	6	27	55	11
Missouri	-	2	28	51	19
Montana	7	21	42	26	4
Nebraska	2	. 5	21	60	12
Nevada	10	15	30	35	10
New Hampshire	-	5	35	58	2
New Jersey	3	3	23	32	39
New Mexico	4	7	32	45	12
New York		5	29	52	14
North Carolina	14	21	35	26	4
North Dakota	1	3	16	60	20
Ohio	1	4	36	46	13
Oklahoma	2	7	24	53	14
Oregon	10	36	39	14	1
Pennsylvania	3	6	30	35	26
Rhode Island	-	- 12	25	75	-
South Carolina	1	13	46	38	2
South Dakota	2	8	25	53	12
Tennessee	1	8	25 25	57	9 21
Texas	2	3 9		49	
Utah	-	9	31 22	49	11
Vermont	1	-	28	53	25
Virginia Washington	6	9 30	36	49 25	13
•	0		19	63	12
West Virginia	<u> </u>	5 3	15	58	24
Wyoming	-	3	11	70	16
48 States	3	8	26	49	14
40 States	3	0	20	49	14
Previous week	2	7	26	50	15
Previous year	5	12	30	43	10

⁻ Represents zero.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork - Selected States

[Days suitable for Fieldwork are weighted based on cropland acreage]

	Week ending					
State	July 19, 2014	July 12, 2015	July 19, 2015			
	(Days)	(Days)	(Days)			
Alabama	5.7	6.2	5.8			
Arizona	7.0	7.0	7.0			
Arkansas	4.8	4.7	6.5			
California	6.0	6.7	6.9			
	5.1	6.2	6.3			
Colorado	5.1	6.5	5.1			
Connecticut						
Delaware	5.3	5.5	6.0			
Florida	6.2	6.4	6.4			
Georgia	5.7	6.2	5.9			
Idaho	6.9	6.1	6.6			
Illinois	5.8	1.8	3.3			
Indiana	5.6	1.8	2.3			
lowa	6.0	4.8	4.5			
Kansas	5.5	5.1	5.3			
Kentucky	5.8	2.0	3.9			
Louisiana	4.3	5.7	6.9			
Maine	5.4	6.5	5.5			
Maryland	5.6	5.0	6.0			
Massachusetts	6.5	6.8	6.7			
Michigan	5.4	5.0	3.9			
Minnesota	6.1	5.3	4.3			
Mississippi	3.6	5.5	6.5			
Missouri	5.9	2.5	3.9			
Montana	6.8	6.5	6.5			
Nebraska	6.3	6.0	5.9			
Nevada	7.0	5.2	6.4			
New Hampshire	5.6	6.3	5.8			
New Jersey	6.1	6.0	5.5			
New Mexico	5.2	6.0	6.6			
New York	5.0	4.5	4.5			
North Carolina	5.6	6.3	6.0			
North Dakota	6.6	6.0	5.1			
Ohio	5.6	1.8	1.6			
Oklahoma	4.5	4.1	6.6			
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Oregon	6.5	6.1	6.6			
Pennsylvania	5.1	3.5	4.5			
Rhode Island	5.3	6.5	6.5			
South Carolina	6.4	6.3	6.2			
South Dakota	6.1	5.9	6.5			
Tennessee	5.1	5.1	5.8			
Texas	5.7	5.2	6.5			
Utah	6.5	6.6	6.2			
Vermont	6.0	5.6	5.3			
Virginia	5.7	4.8	5.6			
Washington	6.9	6.7	6.9			
West Virginia	5.1	3.0	3.1			
Wisconsin	5.5	5.7	4.6			
Wyoming	6.3	5.6	6.7			

Topsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015[National topsoil moisture conditions for selected States are weighted based on cropland acreage]

State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	3	27	61	9
Arizona	3	 17	74	6
Arkansas	1	40	46	13
California	55	25	20	_
Colorado	2	16	77	5
Connecticut	-	13	68	19
Delaware	2	27	64	7
Florida	-	22	72	6
Georgia	5	34	56	5
Idaho	12	37	47	4
Illinois	-	1	55	44
Indiana	-	-	42	58
lowa	-	4	79	17
Kansas	5	19	69	7
Kentucky	-	4	55	41
Louisiana	7	44	41	8
Maine	-	7	91	2
Maryland	3	5	73	19
Massachusetts	-	5	76	19
Michigan	-	6	67	27
Minnesota	-	3	87	10
Mississippi	9	45	42	4
Missouri	-	1	52	47
Montana	13	42	39	6
Nebraska	5	23	66	6
Nevada	10	25	65	-
New Hampshire	5	19	76	-
New Jersey	5	8	70	17
New Mexico	15	37	46	2
New York	-	3	52	45
North Carolina	7	37	50	6
North Dakota	-	5	79	16
Ohio	-	-	35	65
Oklahoma	5	24	64	7
Oregon	23	52	24	1
Pennsylvania	-	5	65	30
Rhode Island	-	8	80	12
South Carolina	14	38	43	5
South Dakota	5	23	68	4
Tennessee	1	18	68	13
Texas	4	23	64	9
Utah	10	39	51	
Vermont	<u>-</u>	-	46	54
Virginia	1	10	69	20
Washington	26	40	34	
West Virginia	-	1	62	37
Wisconsin	-	9	79	12
Wyoming	-	19	78	3
48 States	5	17	61	17
Previous week	5	15	61	19
Previous year	11	27	57	5

⁻ Represents zero.

Subsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending July 19, 2015

[National subsoil moisture conditions for selected States are weighted based on cropland acreage]

State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	3	21	65	11
Arizona	3	14	80	3
Arkansas	1	26	61	12
California	45	40	15	_
Colorado	3	18	77	2
Connecticut	<u>-</u>	10	71	19
Delaware	5	18	72	5
Florida	1	22	73	4
Georgia	3	28	64	5
Idaho	12	32	54	2
Illinois		1	57	42
Indiana	_	· -	43	57
lowa	_	4	78	18
Kansas	6	20	71	3
Kentucky	0	3	67	30
	3	29	58	10
Louisiana	3	9	90	_
Maine	-	-		1
Maryland	3	5	79	13
Massachusetts	-	3	81	16
Michigan	-	4	71	25
Minnesota	-	5	89	6
Mississippi	5	44	45	6
Missouri	. -	2	60	38
Montana	11	38	42	9
Nebraska	5	19	72	4
Nevada	20	35	45	-
New Hampshire	4	14	82	-
New Jersey	4	5	69	22
New Mexico	11	26	62	1
New York	-	2	55	43
North Carolina	5	33	57	5
North Dakota	-	5	80	15
Ohio	-	-	42	58
Oklahoma	9	24	60	7
Oregon	26	52	22	-
Pennsylvania	-	-	77	23
Rhode Island	-	10	78	12
South Carolina	13	37	45	5
South Dakota	6	22	70	2
Tennessee	1	14	73	12
Texas	2	18	73	7
Utah	9	44	47	-
Vermont	-	-	36	64
Virginia	1	8	77	14
Washington	22	44	34	-
West Virginia	1	1	72	26
Wisconsin	-	9	85	6
Wyoming	-	15	84	1
48 States	5	16	64	15
Previous week	4	14	66	16
Previous year	11	27	57	5
- Represents zero				<u> </u>

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Barley: Harvested, Condition **Corn**: Silking, Dough, Condition

Cotton: Squaring, Setting Bolls, Condition

Oats: Harvested, Condition Pasture & Range: Condition Peanuts: Pegging, Condition Rice: Headed, Condition

Sorghum: Headed, Coloring, Condition **Soybeans**: Blooming, Setting Pods, Condition

Spring Wheat: Harvested, Condition

Winter Wheat: Harvested

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: Crop progress and condition estimates are based on survey data collected each week from early April through the end of November. The non-probability crop progress and condition surveys include input from approximately 4,000 respondents whose occupations provide them opportunities to make visual observations and frequently bring them in contact with farmers in their counties. Based on standard definitions, these respondents subjectively estimate the progress of crops through various stages of development, as well as the progress of producer activities. They also provide subjective evaluations of crop conditions.

Most respondents complete their questionnaires on Friday or early Monday morning and submit them to the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) Field Offices in their States by mail, telephone, fax, e-mail, or through a secured internet website. A small number of reports are completed on Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday. Regardless of when questionnaires are completed, respondents are asked to report for the entire week ending on Sunday. For reports submitted prior to the Sunday reference date, a degree of uncertainty is introduced by projections for weekend changes in progress and condition. By the end of the 2014 season, over 90 percent of the data were being submitted through the internet website. As a result, the majority of all data are submitted on Monday morning, significantly reducing projection uncertainty.

Respondents are sent written reporting instructions at the beginning of each season and are contacted periodically to ensure proper reporting. Terms and definitions of crop stages and condition categories used as reporting guidelines are available on the NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/National_Crop_Progress.

Estimating Procedures: Reported data are reviewed for reasonableness and consistency by comparing with data reported the previous week and data reported in surrounding counties for the current week. Each State Field Office summarizes the reported data to district and State levels, weighting each county's reported data by NASS county acreage estimates. Summarized indications are compared with previous week estimates, and progress items are compared with earlier stages of development and historical averages to ensure reasonableness. Weather events and respondent comments are also taken into consideration. State estimates are submitted to the Agricultural Statistics Board (ASB) along with supporting comments, where they are compared with surrounding States and compiled into a National level summary by weighting each State by its acreage estimates.

Revision Policy: Progress and condition estimates in the *Crop Progress* report are released after 4:00 pm ET on the first business day of the week. These estimates are subject to revision the following week.

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